

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 2, 6 and 12 have been amended as suggested in the last office action.

Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of Claims 7, 12 and 20, if rewritten in independent form.

Claim 1 is a combination of old claims 1 and 12, together with some clarity amendments. Claim 17 is rewritten in independent form, and is a combination of old claims 1,17 and 20. New Claim 34 is old claim 1 and old claim 7, re-written in independent form.

Since all of the remaining Claims, as rewritten, include subject matter noted as allowable, the allowance and passage to issuance of this application is respectfully requested.

Applicant also asks that the following new citations be added to the listed references, copies of which are attached: US4862774, GB1233474, and GB1507022. None of these references were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to my knowledge, after making reasonable inquiry, none of these references were known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to today.

The new references were received by applicant about 1 to 2 months ago.

Also attached please find a copy of an amended PCT pamphlet. Applicant wishes to insure the US Patent Office is aware that its file should include the drawing sheet that includes Figure 24.

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